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House Bill 2 – Research and Development Tax Credit Increase

As part of a compromise budget agreement, the New Hampshire Legislature has passed House Bill 2 (Chapter 276, Section 241, Laws of 2015) increasing the total aggregate amount of the Research and Development Tax Credit to \$7 million effective July 1, 2017.

RSA 77-A:5, XIII creates a credit applied against the Business Profits Tax (BPT) for qualified manufacturing research and development expenditures. RSA 77-A:5, XIII (a)(1) limits the aggregate amount of the credit given to all taxpayers to \$2 million dollars. RSA 77-E:3-b permits taxpayers to apply the unused portion of the Research and Development Tax Credit to the Business Enterprise Tax (BET).

Effective July 1, 2017, the total aggregate amount of the Research and Development Tax Credit awarded each year is increased to \$7 million.

Until July 1, 2017, the total aggregate amount of the Research and Development Tax Credit remains \$2 million.

Additional information about the Research and Development Tax Credit can be obtained by referencing RSA 77-A, XIII and the Frequently Asked Questions section of the Department's [website](#).

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